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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

2005 Application for Critical Use Exemption of Methyl Bromide for Pre Plant Use in 2007 and beyond in the United States

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION NEEDED?

Under the Clean Air Act and the international treaty to protect the ozone layer (the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer), the production and import of methyl bromide was phased out in the United States on January 1, 2005. This application seeks information to support a U.S. request to produce and import methyl bromide for certain critical uses and circumstances beyond this 2005 phaseout date.

The information in this application will be used to review whether your use of methyl bromide is "critical" because no technically and economically feasible alternatives are available. In order to estimate the loss as a result of not having methyl bromide available, EPA needs to compare data (yields, crops/crop groupings, prices, revenues and costs) for your use of methyl bromide with uses of alternative pest control regimens.

If you submit a well documented application with sound reasons why alternatives are not technically and economically feasible, the U.S. government can be a better advocate for your exemption request internationally.

Click on the Instructions tab located at the bottom of the screen for additional information.

The information contained in this application is critical to process and assess the need for methyl bromide. Filling out this application in its entirety will bolster the U.S. government's ability to strengthen the nomination package for the international review boards.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 324 hours per response and assumes a large portion of applications will be submitted by consortia on behalf of many individual users of methyl bromide. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a current OMB control number.

INSTRUCTIONS

The information provided by you in this application will be used to evaluate the requested methyl bromide use. The U.S. and other countries that are parties to the Montreal Protocol On Substances That Deplete The Ozone Layer decided that: "a use of methyl bromide should qualify as "critical" only if the nominating Party determines that:

- (i) The specific use is critical because the lack of availability of methyl bromide for that use would result in a significant market disruption; and
- (ii) There are no technically and economically feasible alternatives available to the user that are acceptable from the standpoint of environment and health and are suitable to the crops and circumstances of the nomination ..."

WHO APPLIES?

If you anticipate that you will need methyl bromide in 2007 because you believe there are no technically and economically feasible alternatives, then you should apply for the critical use exemption. This application may be submitted either by a consortium representing multiple users or by individual users. We encourage users with similar circumstances of use to submit a single application (for example, any number of pre plant users with similar soil, pest, and climactic conditions can submit a single application.)

If a consortium is applying for multiple methyl bromide users, the economic data should be for a representative or typical user within the consortium unless otherwise noted. If economic or technical factors (such as size of the farm) affecting the ability of this "representative user" to use alternatives are significantly different than other users in the consortium, more than one application should be submitted to reflect these differences.

Please contact your local, state, regional or national commodity association and/or state representative agency to find out if they plan on submitting an application on behalf of your commodity group.

WHAT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED?

If a user group submitted a complete application to EPA in 2004, the user is only required to complete selected Worksheets, though the entire application must be submitted to EPA. These required Worksheets include 1, 2B, 2C, 2D, 4, and 5. If these Worksheets are not submitted, EPA will not include the application in the U.S. nomination submitted for international consideration. Additional information on Re-Application Information is available at www.epa.gov/ozone/mbr. The remaining worksheets must only be completed if any information has changed since 2004. If a user has previously submitted a critical use exemption application to EPA in 2002 or 2003 (first and second rounds) but did not submit an application in 2004 (third round) then all the worksheets in the application must be submitted again in their entirety.

STATE CONTACTS

States that have agreed to participate in the exemption process are listed on EPA's website at www.epa.gov/ozone/mbr/cuega.html

HOW DO I APPLY?

You may either complete an electronic (Microsoft Excel) or a printed version of the application. Please fill out each form or worksheet in the application as completely as possible. If you are completing the printed version and need extra space you may attach additional sheets as needed. Additional information may be available from your local state department of agriculture or at the sites listed below or by calling 1-800-296-1996.

IS MY INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL?

The applicant may assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information in the application by placing on (or attaching to) the information, at the time it is submitted to EPA, a cover sheet, stamped or typed legend, or other suitable form of notice employing language such as trade secret, proprietary, or company confidential. Allegedly confidential portions of otherwise non-confidential documents should be clearly identified by the applicant, and may be submitted separately to facilitate identification and handling by EPA. If the applicant desires confidential treatment only until a certain date or until the occurrence of a certain event, the notice should so state. Information covered by a claim of confidentiality will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures set forth under 40 CFR Part 2 Subpart B; 41 FR 36902, 43 FR 400000. 50 FR 51661. If no claim of confidentiality accompanies the information when it is received by EPA, it may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to the applicant.

Applicants submitting their application via e-mail assume responsibility for the confidentiality of the electronic message transmission.

WHEN IS THE INFORMATION NEEDED?

This application must be postmarked to the EPA address below no later than August 8, 2005 or 90 days after the Notice was published in the <u>Federal Register</u> requesting critical use exemption applications, whichever is later.

Electronic Address for applications:

WHERE DO I SUBMIT THE

montoro.marta@epa.gov

(When submitting an application electronically, you should also print a hard copy, sign it, and submit it by mail)

Mailing Address for applications being submitted Address for applications being sent by courier or

APPLICATION? Mailing Address for applications being submit by mail directly to the EPA:

non-U.S. Postal overnight express delivery to the EPA:

US Environmental Protection Agency Methyl Bromide Critical Use Exemption Office of Air and Radiation Stratospheric Protection Division (6205 J) 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20460 US Environmental Protection Agency
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Office of Air and Radiation
Stratospheric Protection Division
1310 L Street, NW
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HOW CAN I RECEIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION? 1-8

If you have general questions about this application call:

Stratospheric Ozone Hotline

1-800-296-1996

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INSTRUCTIONS

SECTIONS OF WORKBOOK

Each worksheet number corresponds to the tab number in the electronic version of the application. Instructions specific to each worksheet are provided at the top of each sheet. A header row is included on each worksheet to include an application ID number that EPA will assign.

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EXCEL USER TIPS

Inserting a blank worksheet:

- 1. To add additional blank worksheets in the Excel file, go to the menu line at the top of the worksheet and select "Insert" then "worksheet"
- 2. A tab with the name "Sheet 1" will appear at the bottom of the worksheet and will be highlighted in white. Take the cursor and double click the "new tab"
- **3.** By double clicking in the tab you can now rename the worksheet to the appropriate number letter designation (e.g., 3-A(1), 3-A(1)(a), etc.)
- 4. To move a newly inserted worksheet, simply drag the worksheet with your mouse to the desired location.
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- 5. Again, select the top left corner of the worksheet (left of column A and above row 1) to select the entire worksheet
- 6. Go to the menu line at the top of the worksheet and select "Edit" then "Paste"
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Printing worksheets

If you would like to print all worksheets that are contained in this workbook, go to the menu bar at the top of the screen and select "File" and then "Print." Then in the section of the menu that appears called "Print what," select "Entire Workbook."

Worksheet 1. Contact and Methyl Bromide Request Information

The following information will be used to determine the amount of important that we know whom to contact in case we need addition.	methyl bromide requested and the contact person for this request. It is al information during the review of the application.
Is this information Confidential Business Information? If yes, the applicant assumes responsibility for the secure to	Yes No nansmission of electronic submissions.
Applicant Name	
Primary Contact Contact Name Address	Agronomic
Daytime Phone E-mail Address	Cell Fax
Alternate Contact Contact Name Address	Agronomic
Daytime Phone E-mail Address	Cell Fax
I certify that all information contained in this document is far	ctual to the best of my knowledge.
Signature	Date
Print Name	
government to justify claims in the national nomination pact "critical" and authorized for an exemption beyond the 2005 compelling arguments in favor of critical use exemptions.	phaseout. Use of aggregate data will be crucial to making
Signature	Date
Print Name	

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Worksheet 1. Contact and Methyl Bromide Request Information

1.	Location	(Enter the state, region, or county.)
2.	Crop/Crop Grouping	(Include all crops/crop groupings that benefit from an application of methyl bromide in a fumigation cycle. For a definition of fumigation cycle see Worksheet entitled "Definitions".)
	Range of acres farm (Insert number or percentage of users in each category) Climate Zone	led by growers included in this application 0 - 25 acres 100 - 200 acres 25 - 50 acres 200 - 400 acres 50 - 100 acres over 400 acres (Indicate the climate zone designation by reviewing the U.S. climate zone map located at the end of this workbook or online at http://www.usna.usda.gov/ Hardzone/ushzmap.html.)
		1 2a 2b 3a 3b 4a 4b 5a 5b 6a 6b 7a 7b 8a 8b 9a 9b 10a 10b 11
5.	Soil Type & Organic Matter (check all that apply)	(Indicate the soil type and percent organic matter where methyl bromide would be applied.) Soil Type: Light Medium Heavy
6.		Organic Matter: 0 to 2 %
7.	Has this applicant p bromide?	reviously applied for Critical Use Exemption of methyl Yes No CUE #
8.		of methyl bromide being requested by this application ? (Do NOT include QPS amounts) mitting this application, the data should be the total for the consortium.
	Year	Total Pounds Active Ingredient (a.i.) of Methyl Bromide Total Area to be Treated
	2007	lbs. Acres
	2008	lbs. Acres
	2009	lbs. Acres
		there may be variations in the pounds or acres treated from year to year. methyl bromide is being requested.
	•	to recycled methyl bromide? YesLbs NoIf yes, please specify amount (in pounds). at you will have any methyl bromide in YesLbs
	storage after Januar	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

Worksheet 2. Methyl Bromide

Purpose of Data methyl bromide	a: To establish a baseline estimate of crop/crop grouping yields, gross revenues, and costs using								
	cific to each worksheet are located at the top of each sheet.								
Worksheet	Worksheet Title								
2-A	Methyl Bromide - Crop & Pest Information								
	If a consortium is submitting this application, the data for this table should reflect the representative user for the consortium.								
	The purpose of this worksheet is to determine pest infestation and crop information where methyl bromide is used. This forms the baseline for evaluating the impacts of using an alternative to replace methyl bromide.								
2-B	Methyl Bromide - Historical Use 1999 - 2004								
	If a consortium is submitting this application, all data should reflect the actual data for the consortium. This worksheet provides data in actual usage for 1999-2004.								
2-C	Methyl Bromide - Crop/Crop grouping Yield and Gross Revenue for 2002-2004								
	If a consortium is submitting this application, the data for this table should reflect the representative user for the consortium.								
	This worksheet provides crop/crop grouping yield and gross revenue for 2002 through 2004.								
	The purpose of this worksheet is to determine past gross revenues when methyl bromide is used. This forms the baseline for evaluating the revenue impacts of using an alternative to replace methyl bromide.								
2-D(1 & 2)	Methyl Bromide - Baseline - Operating Costs for 2004								
	If a consortium is submitting this application, the data for this table should reflect the representative user for the consortium.								
	This data is needed to estimate a baseline for operating costs in order to estimate changes in costs and the impact on operating profit and short-run economic viability as a result of not using methyl bromide and to provide required information to the international review board.								
	The purpose of this worksheet is to determine operating expenses when methyl bromide is used. This forms the baseline for evaluating the cost impacts of using an alternative to replace methyl bromide. The data requested are designed to help you identify how your operation would change if methyl bromide were unavailable, which will be shown in Worksheet 3-B. Worksheet 2-D(1) is for users with a fumigation cycle of less than 5 years. Worksheet 2-D(2) is for users growing perennial crops following a single fumigation at establishment.								
	In collaboration with USDA, we will estimate fixed and overhead costs across crops and regions to ensure consistency within the U.S. nomination.								

Worksheet 2-A. Methyl Bromide - Crop & Pest Information

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2.	Which month does your fum	igation Jan	cycle s Feb	tart? (cl Mar	neck on Apr	ly one) May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
		- Juli		lviai		illay	l	l	Aug	l	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
,	Fumigation and Crop Timeline	(Indicate when fumigation, major crop and pest management practices typically occur by shading the appropriate cells. Show a second crop if part of the fumigation cycle. If the fumigation cycle is longer than one year change the months to an appropriate interval. These tables are for annual crops but more than one crop may benefit from one methyl bromide fumigation. If application covers multiple crops/crop groupings not grown sequentially, they will need to provide this information for all crops/crop groupings. Please adjust timeline as necessary. Please provide additional comments or description below or on a separate page. Please begin the timeline with the first land preparation. For perennials, please begin with the year of land preparation and fumigation and indicate the years of production by yield or percentage of full production.)											
ſ	Beginning Fumigation Cycle				Time I	nterval (e.a. MC	NTH/YE	EAR/SE	ASON)			
ŀ		Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month		Month	Month	Month	Month	Month
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ł	Land Preparation	•	_		'								
ı	Fumigation												
ı	Planting												
ľ	Harvest												
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ı	Other Key Pest Steps												
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	Continuation of Fumigation Cycle (if needed)	NA 41	I s.aa.	l sa a				NTH/YE		,	l sa	laa a	l s 4 - 41
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ļ	Land Preparation	13	14	13	10	17	10	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Fumigation												
ŀ	Planting												
	Harvest												

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Worksheet 2-A. Methyl Bromide - Crop & Pest Information

3.	Target Pest(s) or Pest Problem(s):					e at least common name and ems can be provided as an
		Common Name	•	Ger	านร	
	Pest 1					
	Pest 2					
	Pest 3					
	Pest 4					
	Pest 5					
1.	Pest Economic Threshold	(Please provide the eco	uch as survey			pest. Describe year and
		Threshold	Units (e.g. pests/sq ft)	Year		Source
	Pest 1		/			
	Pest 2					
	Pest 3					
	Pest 4					
	Pest 5					
		estimate.)			urce of informa	tion such as a survey or exper
		Percentage of Total Growing Area	·		Source	
	Pest 1	Percentage of Total				
	Pest 1 Pest 2	Percentage of Total Growing Area				
		Percentage of Total Growing Area				
	Pest 2	Percentage of Total Growing Area %				
	Pest 2 Pest 3	Percentage of Total Growing Area % %				
6.	Pest 2 Pest 3 Pest 4	Percentage of Total Growing Area % %	ve factors regard		Source	
6.	Pest 2 Pest 3 Pest 4 Pest 5	Percentage of Total Growing Area % % %	ve factors regard		Source	
6.	Pest 2 Pest 3 Pest 4 Pest 5 Representative User :	Percentage of Total Growing Area % % %	ve factors regard	ling your o	Source	
6.	Pest 2 Pest 3 Pest 4 Pest 5 Representative User: Average Farm Size	Percentage of Total Growing Area % % % % % (Please provide descriptive)	ve factors regard	ling your o	Source	
6.	Pest 2 Pest 3 Pest 4 Pest 5 Representative User: Average Farm Size Average acres in this crop	Percentage of Total Growing Area % % % % % (Please provide descriptive) Methyl Bromide:	ve factors regard	ding your o	Source	
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Worksheet 2-B. Methyl Bromide - Historical Use for 1999-2004

Column A:	Total Actual Pounds a.i. of Methyl	Bromide Applied per Year					
	Enter the total actual pounds active be the total pounds a.i. applied by the Include only the pounds active ingremay be part of the same product.	ne individual user or the entire conso	rtium, for the year indicated.				
Column B:	Column B: Total Actual Acres Treated per Year						
	Enter the total actual acres treated. individual user or total actual acres t treatment the acres should include the treated is the area of the cultivated for treated.	reated for the entire consortium, for the area between the rows as well as	the year indicated. For furrow the area of the rows. i.e. acres				
Column C:	Average Pounds a.i. Applied per A	Area per Year					
	The average application rates in pou Column A by Column B.	unds a.i. of methyl bromide per area	may be calculated by dividing				
	Α	В	С				
Year	Total Actual Pounds a.i. of Methyl Bromide Applied per Year	Total Actual Acres Treated per Year	Average Pounds a.i. Applied per Acre per Year				
1999							
2000							
2001							
2002							
2003							
2004							
If there is a	frequency of methyl bromide ap times p variation (greater than 10%) in ar to year, please explain the re	the quantity a.i., the acres trea	·				
			_				
Comments:							

Worksheet 2-C. Methyl Bromide - Crop/Species Yield & Gross Revenue for 2002-2004

Column A:	Year					
		se as many rows as needed igation cycle overlaps more to l.				
Column B:	Crops/Crop Groupings					
	grown during the interval be	gs that benefit from methyl b tween fumigations (e.g. toma 3 years) include all of the ci	atoes followed by	peppers in a single	growing season,	. •
		pplicant benefits from the ap crops/crop groupings grown				
Column C:	Market Categories					
		that determine prices receive processing). Itemize or aggr ch category.				
Column D:	Yield					
		he proportion of total yields, ndicate yields at other stages			nial crops, pleas	e enter yields at
Column E:	Units of Measurement					
	Enter the unit of measureme average weight of the meas	ent for each crop/species (lbs ure.	s, cwt, carton, bir	n). If not by weight, s	pecify in the com	ments section the
Column F:	Price					
	Enter average prices received can be calculated separately	ed by the users for that crop/ y, if needed.	crop grouping ar	nd market category. /	Average price ov	er all categories
Column G:	Gross Revenue					
		each market category and or nue is not equal to price time nts section below.				
Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G
Α	D	C	U		=	l G
Year	Crops/Crop Groupings	Market Category	Yield	Unit of Measurement	Price (\$)	Gross Revenue per Acre (\$)
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				Unit of		Gross Revenue per
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Year		Market Category	Yield	Unit of Measurement	Price (\$)	Gross Revenue per Acre (\$)
Year	Crops/Crop Groupings	Market Category	Yield	Unit of Measurement	Price (\$)	Gross Revenue per Acre (\$)
Year If this appli please indi	Crops/Crop Groupings cation is for multiple cro	Market Category	Yield	Unit of Measurement	Price (\$)	Gross Revenue per Acre (\$)
Year	Crops/Crop Groupings cation is for multiple cro	Market Category	Yield	Unit of Measurement	Price (\$)	Gross Revenue per Acre (\$)

Worksheet 2-D(1&2). Methyl Bromide - Baseline - Operating Costs for 2004

Enter all operating costs incurred during a fumigation cycle. Users with a relatively short fumigation cycle (less than five years) should use version D(1); users cultivating perennial crops should use version D(2). Users with multiple crops, either on the same area in a single fumigation cycle or on different areas treated separately, should copy this sheet and provide costs for each crop. If multiple crops are cultivated sequentially following a single fumigation, replace fumigation costs in Pre-plant Operations with any additional pest control costs used prior to the following crops. If a fallow season is an important part of the fumigation cycle, include costs incurred (for example, cultivating a cover crop) as a separate line or as a separate sheet, if costs are extensive.

Please fill in the unshaded areas. The shaded areas can be used if the information is known.

Column A: Operation / Input

The operations/inputs listed here are not meant to be exhaustive or representative of your specific production system. They are meant to provide suggestions and to help you identify how your operation would change if methyl bromide were unavailable. Be as precise as necessary otherwise you may aggregate operations or inputs. For example, specify herbicide costs if additional treatments would become necessary with the use of a methyl bromide alternative, otherwise you may simply specify total pesticide costs. **Please specify only variable operating costs.**

Operation / Input for Perennial Crops

For perennial crops (Worksheet D(2)), we have divided the lifespan into three basic periods: pre-production (including establishment), initial production, and full production. Please ensure that the timeline in Worksheet 2-A indicates the years of each period. Operating costs should be an average of costs incurred during each period. Please consider expected replanting rates and indicate which year dead or poorly performing young trees would be replaced. You may copy columns/rows as needed if these periods need to be refined for your situation.

Column B: Quantity Used per Acre

This field is required only for methyl bromide. However, you may include specific amounts of other inputs or operations if you believe it helps to document the additional costs you would incur by using an alternative fumigant.

Constant Cost per Acre

For harvest operations, specify costs that depend on land area, for example, picking costs, per acre of land.

Column C: U

Units

For all inputs and operations detailed in Column B, please specify the units of measurement.

Cost per Unit of Yield

For harvest operations, specify costs that depend on amount of product harvested, for example, packing material, per unit of produce.

Column D: Unit Costs

For all inputs and operations detailed in Column B, please specify the unit cost. Also, indicate all costs of applying methyl bromide, including any material costs, for example, tarps. If custom applied and separate costs are unavailable, write 'custom' and enter total cost in Column E.

Yield

For harvest operations, indicate average yields or representative yields from Worksheet 2-C.

Column E:

Total Cost per Acre

For inputs and operations detailed in Columns B and D, total costs can be calculated as Column B times Column D. Otherwise, enter total cost of the input or operation. As a check, you may add up Column E to obtain an estimate of total variable operating costs. These will not include fixed and overhead costs, nor a return to the owners' labor. It should, therefore, be less than gross revenues calculated in Worksheet 2-C. If it is not, please explain (for example, unusually poor yields or unusually poor prices). For perennial crops, Column E should only be totaled for the years at full production.

Total Cost per Acre

Harvest costs may likewise be calculated as costs per acre (Column B) plus variable costs per unit of yield (Column C) times yield (Column D).

Worksheet 2-D(1). Methyl Bromide - Baseline - Operating Costs for 2004

А	В	С	D	Е
Operation / Input	Quantity Used per Acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost (\$)	Total Cost per Acre (\$)
Pre-plant Operations				
Land preparation				
Fumigation				
product (methyl bromide)				
application				
Irrigation				
Other costs				
Cultural Operations				
Seed / Seedlings				
Fertilizer / Soil Amendments				
Pesticides				
Insecticide				
Herbicide				
Fungicide				
Nematicide				
Irrigation				
Labor (manual)				
Fuel / Machine Labor				
Other Costs				
Harvest Operations	Constant Cost per Acre (\$)	Cost per Unit of Yield (\$)	Yield	Total Cost per Acre (\$)
Labor				
Hauling				
Material				
Grading / Packing / Storage				
Other Costs				

Worksheet 2-D(2). Methyl Bromide - Baseline - Operating Costs for Perennial Crops

А	B (1)	C (1)	D (1)	E (1)	B (2)	C (2)	D (2)	E (2)	B (3)	C (3)	D (3)	E (3)
	PRE PI	RODUCTIO	N YEARS_		INITIAL	PRODUCT	ION YEAR	s	FULL	PRODUCTI	ON YEARS	·
Operation or Input	Quantity used per acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost	Total Cost per Acre	Quantity used per acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)		Total Cost per Acre	Quantity used per acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost	Total Cost per Acre
Establishment Operations												
Land preparation												
Fumigation												
product												
application												
Irrigation												
Seedlings												
Other costs												
Cultural Operations												
Fertilizer/soil amendments												
Pesticides												
Insecticide												
Herbicide												
Fungicide												
Nematicide												
Irrigation												
Labor (manual)												
Fuel/machine labor												
Other costs												
Harvest Operations	Constant Cost per Acre	Cost per Unit of Yield	Yield	Total Cost	Constant Cost per Acre	Cost per Unit of Yield	Yield	Total Cost	Constant Cost per Acre	Cost per Unit of Yield	Yield	Total Cost
Picking/hauling												
Material												
Grading/packing												
Other costs												
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Worksheet 3. Alternatives - Feasibility of Alternative Pest Control Regimens

Purpose of Data: To estimate the loss as a result of not having methyl bromide available. EPA needs to compare data (yields, crop/species prices, gross revenues and costs) on the use of methyl bromide and alternative pest control regimens.

Complete worksheet 3-A for each alternative pest control regimen listed in the "U.S. Matrix" for chemical controls (www.epa.gov/ozone/mbr/cueqa.html) and the "International Matrix" for non-chemical pest controls (www.epa.gov/ozone/mbr/cue). Each worksheet contains a place holder in the title for you to insert the name of the specific alternative pest control regimen addressed. You should add additional worksheets as required.

Enter all alternative pesticides and pest control methods (and associated cost and yield data) that would replace one treatment of methyl bromide throughout the fumigation cycle. See the Definition worksheet for a comprehensive definition on fumigation cycles.

Worksheet	Title
3-A	Alternatives - Technical Feasibility of Alternatives to Methyl Bromide
	You must complete one worksheet for each alternative. Please inset the name of the alternative in the area on top of the page. If you prefer, you may provide the information requested in this worksheet in a narrative review. However, you must fill in the information in Question #1 and #3 or we will assume no yield or quality loss.
3-B	Alternatives - Changes in Operating Costs
	If a consortium is submitting this application, the data for this table should reflect the representative user for the consortium.
	This data is needed to estimate changes in costs and the impact on operating profit and short-run economic viability as a result of not using methyl bromide and to provide required information to the international review board.
	Please fill out this worksheet for each alternative specified in the U.S. Matrix and for other alternatives for which the economic evaluation would bolster the case that methyl bromide is needed.
	The purpose of this worksheet is to determine operating expenses when alternatives are used for evaluating the cost impacts of using an alternative to replace methyl bromide. The data requested are designed to help you identify how your operation would change if methyl bromide were unavailable. Worksheet 3-B(1) is for users with a fumigation cycle of less than 5 years. Worksheet 3-B(2) is for users growing perennial crops following a single fumigation at establishment.
	In collaboration with USDA, we will estimate fixed and overhead costs across crops and regions to ensure consistency within the U.S. nomination.

Worksheet 3-A. Alternatives - Technical Feasibility of Alternatives to Methyl Bromide

ternati	ıve:				[Insert Alte	ernative	<u> </u>
		t Control		omparing This	Alternative to Me	thyl Bro	mide
Study #	(list	Pest Being		% Yield Loss	% Pest Control *		Details
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2							
<u>3</u>							
5							
	Enter Ave	rage Loss	;				
	formatio		9.10.1.110				nation if yield or quality loss information is not avail authors, publication, date, and if a copy is attached
Study #	Attache	d?			D	etails	
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2							
3		_					
4 5							
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Yes	, [No		(If yes, please	sting) associated explain) d with this alterna		s alternative?
Restriction	ons on A	lternative	e Use	1	1	the amour	nt of methyl bromide needed.
				% of A	ea		Details
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Worksheet 3-A. Alternatives - Technical Feasibility of Alternatives to Methyl Bromide

	Use Rate of Chemic	ernative: [Insert Alternative] se Rate of Chemical Alternative											
1	Active Ingredient Name of Product and Quantity a.i. per Units # of Acres # of Application											liaatia	
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	Non-Chemical Pest Control (please describe)												
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	Beginning	Time Interval (e.g. MONTH/YEAR/SEASON)											
	Fumigation Cycle				11111	e merva	ıı (e.g. ivi		EAR/SE	430N)			
		Month	Month		Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month
	Land Preparation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Fumigation		1										
	Planting												
	Harvest		1										
	Fallow		1										
	Other Key Crop Steps	+	 										
	Other Key Pest Steps												
	Continuation of Alternative Cycle (if needed)	Time Interval (e.g. MONTH/YEAR/SEASON)											
		Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month	Month
	Land Preparation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Fumigation	+	+										
	Planting	+	+										
	Harvest	+	+										
	Fallow	+	+										
	Other Key Crop Steps	+	+										
	Other Key Pest Steps	†	+										
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Worksheet 3-B(1&2). Alternatives - Changes in Operating Costs

[Insert Alternative] Alternative:

Enter all operating costs incurred during a fumigation cycle. Users with a relatively short fumigation cycle (less than five years) should use version B(1); users cultivating perennial crops should use version B(2). Users with multiple crops, either on the same area in a single fumigation cycle or on different areas treated separately, should copy this sheet and provide costs for each crop. If multiple crops are cultivated sequentially following a single fumigation, replace fumigation costs in pre plant Operations with any additional pest control costs used prior to the following crops. If a fallow season is an important part of the fumigation cycle, include costs incurred (for example, cultivating a cover crop) as a separate line or as a separate sheet, if costs are extensive. Please fill in the unshaded areas. The shaded areas can be used if the information is known.

Column A: Operation / Input

The operations/inputs listed here are not meant to be exhaustive or representative of your specific production system. They are meant to provide suggestions and to help you identify how your operation would change if methyl bromide were unavailable. Be as precise as necessary otherwise you may aggregate operations or inputs. For example, specify herbicide costs if additional treatments would become necessary with the use of a methyl bromide alternative, otherwise you may simply specify total pesticide costs. Please specify only variable operating costs.

Operation / Input for Perennial Crops

For perennial crops (Worksheet B(2)), we have divided the lifespan into three basic periods: pre-production (including establishment), initial production, and full production. Please ensure that the timeline in Worksheet 3-A indicates the years of each period. Operating costs should be an average of costs incurred during each period. Please consider expected replanting rates and indicate which year dead or poorly performing young trees would be replaced. You may copy columns/rows as needed if these periods need to be refined for your situation.

Quantity Used per Acre Column B:

This field is required only for methyl bromide. However, you may include specific amounts of other inputs or operations if you believe it helps to document the additional costs you would incur by using an alternative fumigant.

Constant Cost per Acre

For harvest operations, specify costs that depend on land area, for example, picking costs, per acre of land.

Column C:

For all inputs and operations detailed in Column B, please specify the units of measurement.

Cost per Unit of Yield

For harvest operations, specify costs that depend on amount of product harvested, for example, packing material, per unit of produce.

Unit Costs Column D:

For all inputs and operations detailed in Column B, please specify the unit cost. Also, indicate all costs of applying methyl bromide, including any material costs, for example, tarps. If custom applied and separate costs are unavailable, write 'custom' and enter total cost in Column E.

For harvest operations, indicate average yields or representative yields from Worksheet 3-A.

Column E: Total Cost per Acre

For inputs and operations detailed in Columns B and D, total costs can be calculated as Column B times Column D. Otherwise, enter total cost of the input or operation. As a check, you may add up Column E to obtain an estimate of total variable operating costs. These will not include fixed and overhead costs, nor a return to the owners' labor. It should, therefore, be less than gross revenues calculated in Worksheet 2-C. If it is not, please explain (for example, unusually poor yields or unusually poor prices). For perennial crops, Column E should only be totaled for the years at full production.

Total Cost per Acre

Harvest costs may likewise be calculated as costs per acre (Column B) plus variable costs per unit of yield (Column C) times yield (Column D).

Worksheet 3-B(1). Alternatives - Changes in Operating Costs

Alternative:

[Insert Alternative]

А	В	С	D	Е
Operation / Input	Quantity Used per Acre	Units (Ibs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost (\$)	Total Cost per Acre (\$)
Pre-plant Operations				
Land preparation				
Fumigation				
product (methyl bromide)				
application				
Irrigation				
Other costs				
<u>Cultural Operations</u>				
Seed / Seedlings				
Fertilizer / Soil Amendments				
Pesticides				
Insecticide				
Herbicide				
Fungicide				
Nematicide				
Irrigation				
Labor (manual)				
Fuel / Machine Labor				
Other Costs				
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Harvest Operations	Constant Cost per Acre (\$)	Cost per Unit of Yield (\$)	Yield	Total Cost per Acre (\$)
Labor	Ασιο (ψ)	ποια (ψ)		Ασιο (ψ)
Hauling				
Material				
Grading / Packing / Storage				
Other Costs				
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Worksheet 3-B(2). Alternatives - Changes in Operating Costs for Perennial Crops

Alternative: [Insert Alternative]

А	B (1)	C (1)	D (1)	E (1)	B (2)	C (2)	D (2)	E (2)	B (3)	C (3)	D (3)	E (3)
	PRE PRODUCTION YEARS		N YEARS _	INITIAL PRODUCTION Y			ION YEAR	I YEARS FULL		PRODUCTION YEARS		
Operation or Input	Quantity used per acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost	Total Cost per Acre	Quantity used per acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost	Total Cost per Acre	Quantity used per acre	Units (lbs, hours, etc)	Unit Cost	Total Cost per Acre
Establishment Operations												
Land preparation												
Fumigation												
product												
application												
Irrigation												
Seedlings												
Other costs												
Cultural Operations												
Fertilizer/soil amendments												
Pesticides												
Insecticide												
Herbicide												
Fungicide												
Nematicide												
Irrigation												
Labor (manual)												
Fuel/machine labor												
Other costs												
Harvest Operations	Constant Cost per Acre	Cost per Unit of Yield	Yield	Total Cost	Constant Cost per Acre	Cost per Unit of Yield	Yield	Total Cost	Constant Cost per Acre	Cost per Unit of Yield	Yield	Total Cost
Picking/hauling												
Material												
Grading/packing	•											
Other costs	•											

Worksheet 4. Future Research Plans

	se describe future plans to test alternatives to methyl bromide. You may use this worksheet to describ	o an rataro pranto.
1.	Identify the top 3 to 5 target pests for your research.	
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2.	Provide a list of alternative chemicals or cultural practices that have been tested.	
	1 4 5	
	2 5	
3.	Prioritize the alternative chemicals or cultural practices to be tested.	_
•	1 4	
	2 3	
4		
4.	What would be the best currently available alternative if methyl bromide were not available?	
5.	Please provide an overview/timeline of the plan to transition away from using methyl bromide.	
6.	Will yield/quality loss be measured? Yes No	
7.	Will economic impacts be measured? Yes No	
8.	How will you minimize your use and/or emissions of methyl bromide?	
	Formulation Changes (please specify) Formulation Changes	•
	Tarpaulin (High Density Polyethylene) From:% methyl bromide	•
	(check all that apply) Virtually Impermeable Film (VIF) Other To:% methyl bromide	e,% chloropicrin
	apply) Other Cultural Practices (please specify)	
	Other Pesticides (please specify)	
	Non-Chemical Methods (please specify)	
9.	What is the cumulative amount spent and the types of contributions this consortium has made	to fund research
9.	to develop alternatives to methyl bromide since 1992? (e.g. consortium dues, direct research funding, etc.)	
9.	•	to fund research Amount (\$)
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	Years Name of Organization / Research Institution Other total investments, if any, made to reduce your reliance on methyl bromide? (Describe each investment and its associated costs. e.g. specialized machinery, etc.)	Amount (\$)
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Worksheet 5. Application Summary

Consortium Name:					
Location:					
Crop:					
Pounds of Methyl Bromide Requested	2007	,	lbs.	2008	lbs.
Acres Treated with			ins.		INO.
Methyl Bromide	2007	,	Acres	2008	Acres
If methyl bromide is req			•		,
2007	lbs.	Area Tı	reated	Acres	
2008	lbs.	Area Tı		Acres	
2009	lbs.	Area Ti		Acres	
Potential Alternatives	Technically Feasible	Economically Feasible		Reasor	ns
	<u>Feasible</u>	Feasible			
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	+				
	+				